#### CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week July 24, 2018 through July 29, 2018.

#### Tuesday

07/24/2018

## (1) DUTY STEWARD

Ron Church will oversee morning office duties and will author the minutes during this reporting period.

#### (2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Friday's eight race program was completed at 1:30 P.M. consisting of four Quarter Horse and four Thoroughbred races. Fifty-six (56) horses are scheduled to start.

#### (3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The sixth race in the condition book, for California-Bred maidens, three years old and upward claiming \$16,000 at a distance of 350 yards. The race was called off with no entries.

#### Wednesday

07/25/2018

## (1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES

Scratch time for Friday's program was completed at 9:00 A.M. resulting in one scratch and three rider changes.

## (2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Saturday's twelve race program was completed at 1:30 P.M. and the entire program will be dedicated to Quarter Horses. Ninety-four (94) horses are scheduled to start.

## (3) CAL-BRED REPORT

Eleven of Saturday evening's races will be exclusively for Cal-Breds. The evening will showcase California Breeders Champions Night. Highlighted by the (\$380,000 Grade II) Governor's Cup Futurity and the (\$203,000 Grade III) Governor's Cup Derby.

## **Thursday**

07/26/2018

## (1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES

Scratch time for Saturday's program was completed at 9:00 A.M. resulting in one equipment change.

## (2) ENTRIES AND DRAW

Sunday's eight race program was completed at 3:00 P.M., Saturday evening's program took a toll on Quarter Horse entries for Sunday with two Quarter Horse, three Thoroughbred and three

mixed Quarter Horse/Thoroughbred races completing the program. Fifty-two (52) horses are scheduled to start.

## (3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the condition book, for California-Bred maidens, three year olds claiming \$8,000 at a distance of 300 yards. The race was called off with no entries.

# <u>Friday</u>

#### 07/27/2018

## (1) SCRATCHES AND CHANGES

Scratch time for Sunday's program was completed at 9:00 A.M. resulting in two rider changes and one equipment change.

## (2) VISSCHER RULING #169 (CASE #18LA0142)

#### **RULING # 169**

TRAINER PATRICIA VISSCHER, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "ARMINIUS", THE SECOND PLACE FINISHER IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JUNE 23, 2018, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF THE HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A, B & D)(MEDICATION, DRUGS AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (B)(PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), AND #1844 (F)(4)(AUTHORIZED MEDICATION - DEXAMETHASONE (63.0 PG/ML) IN EXCESS OF AUTHORIZED LEVEL (5.0 PG/ML).

The above ruling was issued after trainer Patricia Visscher appeared and waived her right to a formal hearing. Visscher accepted responsibility and explained her groom administered a packet of Azium powder in the horse's feed and felt the horse was late to finish the grain. The veteran trainer has an excellent record without any medication violations within the last thirty-six (36) months.

## (3) CARROLL HEARING (CASE #18LA0150)

The Stewards conducted an informal hearing for groom Anne Carroll who was cited for being under the influence of marijuana. Ms. Carroll admitted to long term use of marijuana for medical reasons. Ms. Carroll was informed although marijuana is legal in the State of California, the possession and use of marijuana while on the grounds of any racing association is prohibited. Ms. Carroll was issued a warning.

## (4) QUIET EVENING

The evening's eight race card was completed without noteworthy incident.

#### (5) LATE DECLARATIONS - CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race #6 Evening Again (Tr. Kelly Castaneda) – claimed – Tr. Jesus Nunez 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #3 Traveling Vista (Tr. Daniel Taylor) – entered back – Stewards Refund: \$92.30

8th Race #3 Favorite Cartel Jr (Jockey R. Aceves) – sick – replaced by C. Mendez

## (6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	763	On Track Handle:	\$103,329.90
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,732</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$374,838.00
Total:	2,495	Out of State:	<u>\$770,468.74</u>
			\$1,248,636.64

#### Saturday

#### 07/28/2018

## (1) FILMS

Jockey Cruz Mendez reviewed Friday's eighth race with the Stewards this afternoon. His mount broke in and drifted in at the start of the race, and we felt he was a bit slow reacting. He was warned a better effort will be expected from him in the future.

#### (2) FIRST RACE - INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards immediately posted the inquiry sign following the running of the first race, to review an incident shortly after the start of the 300 yard race. Involved were #3 Xeriscape (2<sup>nd</sup> – Jockey O. Peinado), #2 Legally Hot (4<sup>th</sup> – Jockey J. Roman).

After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing the replays, the Stewards unanimously agreed to disqualify #3 from second to fourth. Replays show #3 drifting in shortly after the break, crossing over in front of #2 and severely impeding and costing that rival the opportunity for a better placing.

## (3) SECOND RACE - LATE DECLARATION - REFUND

A refund was ordered in the second race when #6 "Dustys Classy Dash" (Jockey R. Lozano) broke through the starting gate doors and ran off. The rider and horse were uninjured. Refund: \$10,817.10.

## (4) THIRD RACE - STEWARDS REVIEW

Shortly after the start of the third race #2 "Amore Di La Mamma" (Jockey E. Nicasio) appeared to lock up in her hind quarters and unseat her jockey. Nicasio was uninjured and rode the remainder of his mounts, while the horse's injuries at this time are unknown.

## (5) FOURTH RACE - INQUIRY - DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign following the fourth race to review an incident shortly after the start involving #9 "Cavuto" (4<sup>th</sup> Jockey J. Rangel) and #10 "Ali Babe Foose" (5<sup>th</sup> Jockey E. Nicasio). After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing video of the incident the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify #9 Cavuto from fourth to fifth position. Video replay shows #9 Cavuto drifting out and making solid contact with #10 Ali Babe Foose and in the opinion of the Stewards costing that horse the chance for a better placing.

#### (6) SEVENTH RACE - STEWARDS INQUIRY - DOUBLE DISQUALIFICATION

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign following the running of the seventh race to review an incident shortly after the start. Involved were #4 "Quite Up" (5<sup>th</sup> Jockey J. Ayala), #5 Stel Heights (8<sup>th</sup> Jockey J. Roman) and #6 My Capullo (6<sup>th</sup> Jockey M. Arana). After speaking with riders involved and reviewing video of the incident, the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify both the fifth and sixth place finishers, #4 and #6, placing them seventh and eighth respectively. Video showed that #4 Quite Up broke out sharply while #6 My Capullo broke in sharply, forcing the rider of #5 Stel Heights to take up sharply and lose all chance of a better placing.

#### (7) TWELFTH RACE – STEWARDS INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The inquiry sign was once again posted, after the twelfth race the Governor's Cup Futurity – 350 yards involving the #5 Provodnikov (9<sup>th</sup> Jockey J. Ayala), #6 Tac Me Up (10<sup>th</sup> Jockey C. Mendez) and #7 Jess Bein Me (4<sup>th</sup> C. Franco). After speaking with the riders involved, and reviewing video of the incident the Stewards unanimously voted to disqualify #7 Jess Bein Me from fourth to tenth position. Video tapes show #7 drifting in during the middle stages of the race, forcing the riders of #6 and #5 to check their mounts and lose an opportunity of a better placing.

## (8) LATE DECLARATIONS - CHANGES AND REFUNDS

1st Race #4 A Classic Tequila (Tr. C. Hall) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund: \$306.61

2<sup>nd</sup> Race #3 Try Again (Tr. J. Nunez) – claimed – Tr. R. Guillen

#4 South West Red (Tr. J. Nunez) - claimed - Tr. K. Castaneda

3<sup>rd</sup> Race #5 Baymax (Tr. V. Zamudio) – claimed – Tr. J. Flores

#6 Worker (Tr. J. Cooper) - claimed - Tr. J. Nunez

#8 Party Time Chic (Tr. M. Fales) - claimed - Tr. V. Zamudio

5th Race #4 Power Thinker (Tr. P. Visscher) - sick - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund: \$304.67

#### (9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

 On Track Attendance:
 2,179
 On Track Handle:
 \$205,002.90

 Off Track Attendance:
 1,987
 Off Track Handle:
 \$436,395.70

 Total:
 4,166
 Out of State:
 \$1,279,390.74

 \$1,920,789.34

07/29/2018

## (1) RULING #170 - #174

## **RULING #170**

JOCKEY MARCIAL RAMIREZ IS FINED THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00)\* FOR BLATANT VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND). DURING THE THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 28, 2018.

#### **RULING #171**

JOCKEY RAMON SANCHEZ IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 28, 2018.

#### **RULING # 172**

JOCKEY CODY JENSEN IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 28, 2018.

#### **RULING # 173**

JOCKEY JOSE M. NICASIO IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-SECOND OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 28, 2018.

## **RULING # 174**

JOCKEY RUBEN LOZANO IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)\* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE ELEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 28, 2018.

The foregoing rulings were issued after the named riders were in violation of various levels of CHRB Rule #1688.

## (2) PEINADO RULING

## **RULING #175**

JOCKEY OSCAR PEINADO, WHO RODE "XERISCAPE" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 28, 2018, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, AND 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2018) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT. THIS CONSTITUES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES-CARELESS RIDING).

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES). THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

The foregoing ruling was issued after the Stewards reviewed last evening's first race with Jockey Peinado and he was unable to convince us that his best effort had been made to straighten his mount, resulting in his disqualification.

## (3) ARANA RULING

#### **RULING #176**

JOCKEY MINOR ARANA, WHO RODE "MY CAPULLO" IN THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 28, 2018, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, AND 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2018) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT. THIS CONSTITUES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES-CARELESS RIDING).

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES). THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Jockey Arana appeared before the Stewards to review his disqualification in the seventh race on Saturday, July 28, 2018. The opinion among the Stewards was that Mr. Arana made very little effort to control his mount, resulting in the disqualification.

## (4) RANGEL RULING

#### **RULING #177**

JOCKEY JAIRO RANGEL, WHO RODE "CAVUTO" IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON JULY 28, 2018, IS SUSPENDED THREE (3) RACING DAYS (AUGUST  $5^{\text{TH}}$ ,  $10^{\text{TH}}$ , and  $11^{\text{TH}}$ , 2018) FOR FAILURE TO MAKE THE PROPER EFFORT TO MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT COURSE, CAUSING INTERFERENCE WHICH RESULTED IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF HIS MOUNT. THIS CONSTITUES A VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1699 (RIDING RULES-CARELESS RIDING).

PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1766 (DESIGNATED RACES). THE TERM OF THIS SUSPENSION SHALL NOT PROHIBIT PARTICIPATION IN DESIGNATED RACES IN CALIFORNIA.

The above ruling was issued after the films confirmed that no effort was made by Rangel to correct his mount, resulting in his disqualification.

## (5) FILMS - JESUS AYALA

After reviewing last evening's seventh race with Jockey Ayala during which he was disqualified, the Stewards felt an adequate effort was made on his part, and he was held blameless.

## (6) FILMS - CESAR FRANCO

Jockey Franco was in to review the twelfth race from last evening. After examining the film the Stewards felt Franco made a reasonable effort to control his mount and was cautioned to make a stronger effort in the future.

#### (7) THIRD RACE – WIN WAGERING ONLY

What started out as a six horse field, the third race of the evening ended up being a three horse field after the track veterinarian recommended the Stewards scratch three of the horses for various reasons. The result was no place, show, or superfecta wagering.

## (8) FIFTH RACE - INQUIRY - NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign immediately following the running of the fifth race to evaluate an incident at the start of the race when the rider of #5 "Can't Beat L.A." (Jockey Edgar Orozco) lost his balance shortly after the start and was unseated. #5 "Can't Beat L.A" was declared a starter and the race was made official.

## (9) EIGHTH RACE - INQUIRY - NO CHANGE - CLAIM VOIDED

The Stewards posted the inquiry sign immediately following the running of the eighth race to review an incident shortly after the start. #1 "Unusual Kiddy" (Jockey O. Peinado) was injured and fell, unseating Jockey Peinado. The human ambulance was quickly on the scene to attend to the rider, with the accident report to follow.

## (10) LATE DECLARATIONS - CHANGES AND REFUNDS

2<sup>nd</sup> Race #2 Adrosa Sky (Tr. A. Aquino) – claimed – Tr. Lorenzo Ruiz

#3 Land of the Free (Tr. J. Nunez) - claimed - Tr. Angela Aquino

3rd Race #1 Little Joe M. (Tr. R. Lucas) - injured - Dr. Beck Refund: \$211.00

#2 Golden Gladiator (Tr. K. Nettles) - unsound - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund: \$99.00

#4 Raw Diamond (Tr. L. Brady) - unsound - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund: \$49.00

4th Race #3 Foxy Fresh (Tr. L. Bradvica) - claimed - Tr. K. Craigmyle

5<sup>th</sup> Race #6 Gone With It (Tr. K. Castaneda) – Sick – Dr. Beck Refund: \$386.00

6<sup>th</sup> Race #2 She's Gone Western (Tr. S. Perez) – injured – Dr. Fitzgerald Refund: \$115.00

8th Race #1 Unusual Kiddy (Tr. J. Gomez) - claim voided - accident claim was submitted by

Tr. Jose Fuentes

## (11) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	600	On Track Handle:	\$80,457.00
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,685</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$317,883.90
Total:	2,285	Out of State:	<u>\$841,986.32</u>
			\$1.240.327.22

## TRACK SAFTEY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on July 29, 2018. Three equine deaths were reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period 10 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 7 for soundness, 1 for injury, and 2 for sickness. Eight horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward Ron Church.

# CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD SUMMARY 2018

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	WEEK	MEET
					07/27	07/28	07/29	TOTAL	TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	1	1	2	13
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	11	0	11	20
CLAIMS			R		1	5	3	9	209
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	4	0	4	30
INQUIRIES	D				0	4	2	6	54
REFUNDS		A			1	3	5	9	246
RULINGS			Y		1	0	8	9	173
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	0	0	1	1	34

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards Ron Church, James Dreyer, Tom Ward, and Safety Steward Paul Atkinson were in attendance during this reporting period.

Ron Church (Steward)	
James Dreyer (Steward)	
Tom Ward (Steward)	_
Paul Atkinson (Safety Steward)	_